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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 37-72 are allowed, since the prior art neither discloses either a method that flows hot ageing gas through a catalyst device that is for use on a test bench, such that gas emerging from the device is partially admixed with the aging gas to be fed to the catalyst device, thereby to be recirculated, or an apparatus for the above steps involving a recirculation device distinct from the device for passing hot gas through the catalyst device.

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

The specification should be in the recommended format, including section headings and a brief description of the drawings.

References to nonexistent claims 1 and 28 on page 5 of the specification should be deleted.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Exparte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO**MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Cygan whose telephone number is (571) 272-2175. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-6 M-Th, alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Lefkowitz can be reached on 571-272-2180. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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